



18 August 1955

Mr. James C. Hagerty
Press Secretary to the President
The White House

Dear Jim:

My departure for Europe has been a bit delayed due to problems in connection with getting our new CIA building underway, and the result is that it is highly problematical whether I will return from a somewhat extended European trip in time to speak at the National Industries at Lake Placid.

I regret this in view of your interest in the matter, but think it is unwise to accept this invitation and then be forced to drop out at the last minute.

I enclose a copy of my telegram to Mr. L. A. Wilson.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles

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Director

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